

January 20, 1976

Mrs. Fred Koch:  
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Dear Mrs. Koch:

It seems incredible that a year has passed since Roger, Ed and I first visited you in Wichita. Since then, the Libertarian Party has grown from relative obscurity to being the third largest party in the country. It was a hectic and seemingly endless year which resulted in achieving virtually every goal set for the campaign.

The new year will see a large number of projects designed to capitalize on our recent and rapid growth and fully develop the organization at the national and state levels. High priorities include expansion of the membership/fundraising base, production of new literature, establishment of a speakers bureau, promotion of a major national convention in the summer and preparations for 1978 -- a major election year. Enclosed is the special election issue of the LP NEWS. Ed's article, "Pride in Our Accomplishments," is an excellent summary of our achievements and progress. My article, "The Challenge of Sustained Growth," details the projects that are currently being emphasized.

By and large, morale is high throughout the country with little of the "post election blues" I was warned to expect. And most important of all -- our principles are intact. There is every reason to expect that 1977 will be another exciting, productive year for us.

I had hoped that my schedule would have allowed a return to Wichita for another visit to update you on your activities and to thank you once again for your past contributions -- which played a major role in the largest and most effective project the libertarian movement has undertaken.

As it will be impossible for me to be in Wichita in the foreseeable future, I had intended to personally call you this week to ask for your continued support. I realized, however, that since we have been out of contact for over a year you might appreciate some advance notice to collect your thoughts and questions.

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Thank you again for your past support. Best wishes for the new year and I look forward to visiting with you by telephone next week.

Cordially,

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National Director

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